AMENDMENTS TO SPECIFICATION

Please amend the Abstract as follows:

ABSTRACT

A minimally invasive implant alleviates discomfort and lack of stability in the

lumbosacral region of the spine. The implant after being surgically implanted alleviates

pain and increases lumbosacral stability while being minimally invasive. In an

embodiment of the invention a base is adapted to be mounted onto a S1 vertebra and the

beam of the implant engages the spinous process of the L5 vertebrae to spread the

mechanical load from the vertebrae through the device.

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